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In re application of:  
**Rose-Pehrsson et al.**  
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For: **Identification of Fire Signatures for Shipboard Multi-Criteria Fire Detection Systems**

**Preliminary Amendment**

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Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sirs or Madames:

Please amend the specification as follows:

**In the Specification**

After the Title, please delete the word "Specification" and insert therefor:

--The present application claims the benefit of the priority filing date of provisional patent application no. 60/214,244 filed June 16, 2000.--

**Remarks**

The claim to priority has been added to the case. Please refer to the page enclosed herewith with markings included to illustrate the revisions. If there are any questions, please contact Mr. Legg at the number below.